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September 30, 2013

MEMORANDUM

TO: Interested Parties

FROM: Gwen C. Thompson, Chief,

Bureau of Health Facilities Licensing

SUBJECT: Regulation Development Update for Licensure of In-Home Care Providers

The Department had previously proposed a new regulation identified as *State Register* Document 4288, which was submitted to the General Assembly for review in 2013 and was permanently withdrawn by the Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) on January 13, 2013. Pursuant to public comments received on the previous proposed regulation, the Department is proposing to develop the proposed regulation and reinitiate the statutory promulgation process by the publication of a Notice of Drafting (NOD).

The republication of the NOD for the In-Home Care Providers regulation was published in the *State Register* on September 27, 2013. If you wish, you may submit written comments to Gwen C. Thompson, Chief, Bureau of Health Facilities Licensing, South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, South Carolina, 29201. To be considered, all comments must be received no later than 5:00 PM, October 28, 2013, the close of the drafting comment period.

Your input is extremely valuable to us in writing the regulation. If you think something should be included or not included in the regulation, please send in your comments before the deadline.

Thank you for your input and participation. Please pass this information on to anyone else that may be interested in participating. If there are any questions about this process or other recommendations regarding the regulation process, please call Dave Fiorini at 803-545-4301 or me at 803-545-4670.

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